Bill # 71-09
The Graduate and Professional Student Association
(GPSA)
The Pennsylvania State University

of the 71st Assembly
September 15, 2021

Be it decided by the Assembly of Elected Delegates,

GPSA Professional Head Shots
Funding for Professional Head Shots for Graduate Students
(Decided: [ Y / N / A ])

Nature of the Situation:

Part of GPSA’s mission is to promote professional and job-related opportunities for graduate and professional students. Establishing a professional identity usually requires professional headshots, which can be used on LinkedIn and other professional-related digital sources.

In order to provide an ample range of times for graduate and professional students to get their headshots taken while maintaining COVID guidelines, we will have a photographer on campus for three days in the semester with three hours each day. Each session will be held inside/outside with a professional lighting setup, and we will ask each participant to wait until their scheduled time to arrive. Each headshot takes approximately 5 minutes, allowing up to 108 participants. Registration will be advertised through the GPSA Newswire and via the GPSA social media pages at least one week prior to the event.

Recommended Course of Action:
The Professional Development Committee will hold a professional headshot event for graduate and professional students on three days in the semester when the weather is good. Headshots will be taken by photographer Darya Marene Alvarez, PSU Advertising and Photography student, whose work can be found at https://daryaalvarez.wixsite.com/website. Exact dates and times are subject to change based on final contact with the photographer.

Photography Service: $1170 ($130/hour x 9 hours)

Total: $1170

Respectfully submitted,

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